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CHAT WITH THE CHAIR

News you can use June 2012

Dear Friends,

As the school year ends and summer begins, I hope you and your family have the opportunity to get out and enjoy the weather! Whether you spend time at the beach, shop at a plant sale, or attend a neighborhood meeting, there is plenty of summer fun in our neighborhood this month. The Milwaukee County Parks are celebrating their 105th anniversary this month (more details on page 6). I chaired my first County Board meeting on May 24. Click here for details. I look forward to seeing you in the District! Marina D.

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Senior Hall of Fame

Chairwoman Dimitrijevic was proud to participate in the Milwaukee County Senior Citizen Hall of Fame induction ceremony on May 25. The Hall of Fame honors seniors who have served the community as volunteers and as advocates on behalf of older people. The five inductees were: Mike Bogdonovich, Kathleen Brockman, Mary Ann Ganny, Audrey Hemmer and 4th District resident David Hoffman (pictured at right). Chairwoman Dimitrijevic also was recognized for her eight years of service to older adults as a member of the Commission on Aging.



Journal Sentinel, Wisconsin EYE feature Chairwoman Dimitrijevic

Milwaukee Board Chairwoman County Marina Dimitrijevic is featured on two separate web interviews stressing importance of unity, transit, parks, and State support for Milwaukee County.

Ernst-Ulrich Franzen from the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel sat down with the Chairwoman Dimitrijevic for a "4th and Steven Walters from State" interview, while WisconsinEye conducted an interview from a statewide perspective.

During the WisconsinEye interview, Chairwoman Dimitrijevic said she hopes State officials will realize the value of Milwaukee County being the economic engine of Wisconsin. "If Milwaukee doesn't succeed, the State of Wisconsin will not succeed," she said.





In the interviews, Chairwoman Dimitrijevic stressed her objectives of creating more unity within Milwaukee County, solving transit funding challenges, addressing deferred maintenance needs in the Parks.

Both interviews are available for online viewing:

Click here to watch the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel 4th and State interview.

Click here to watch the interview with Steven Walters of WisconsinEye.

Chairwoman Dimitrijevic Announces First 'Chat with the Chair'

One of Chairwoman Dimitrijevic's top goals is to improve relationships with the 19 municipalities in our County. A key component in this outreach effort is the launching of "Chat with the Chair." Chairwoman Dimitrijevic plans to travel to all 19 cities and villages to share her vision of unity and cooperation while also listening to ideas from residents in all four corners of Milwaukee County.

The first Chat with the Chair has been scheduled for Wednesday, June 6 at 6:00 p.m. at Franklin City Hall, Common Council Chambers, 9229 W. Loomis Road. The second Chat with the Chair will be at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 13 at Fox Point Village Hall, 7200 N. Santa Monica Blvd. We hope to see you there!



Chairwoman's Corner

Park East Groundbreaking

County Board Chairwoman Marina Dimitrijevic and Supervisor Patricia Jursik joined Milwaukee School of Engineering (MSOE) President Dr. Hermann Viets and other local dignitaries at the May 4th groundbreaking of MSOE's Athletic Field and Parking Complex in the former Park East Corridor. Milwaukee County played the lead role in the project when the County Board unanimously approved the sale of County-owned land to MSOE.

"This development will serve as a catalyst for the entire Park East corridor; I am pleased that the County Board played a key role in helping this project move forward," Chairwoman Dimitrijevic said. "It's also great that MSOE has embraced the Park East Redevelopment Compact, which ensures that a diverse workforce will be employed and paid family-supporting wages. This is a great project that will benefit the entire community."





MATC Green Vehicles Workshop



MATC

Chairwoman Marina Dimitrijevic was the keynote speaker at the "Driving Towards 2020: Green Vehicles Workshop" held at the Milwaukee Area Technical College. The workshop showcased energy-efficient and diminished-emission vehicles for the present and near future.

"Promoting fuel efficient vehicles and alternative fuels results in cleaner air and greater energy independence," said Chairwoman Dimitrijevic, who discussed her Green Print 2.0 legislation, which will build on the success of the original Green Print. "We will continue to raise the bar on environmental and conservation standards within Milwaukee County."

"We have already achieved a number of milestones since the Green Print was enacted five years ago, and we have set some exciting new goals in the Green Print 2.0. A key provision will continue to be the purchase of hybrids and other alternative fuel vehicles."

Chairwoman's Corner

School Sisters International Ground Blessing



Chairwoman Dimitrijevic and Sister Kathleen Kluthe, President, School Sisters of St. Francis, at the ground blessing for Maria Linden. District 4 is the proud home of the Sisters' International Headquarters!

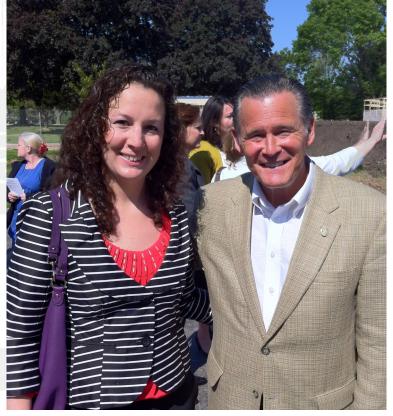


Sister Joann Riesterer and Chairwoman Marina Dimitrijevic at the ground blessing for Maria Linden.

Visiting with Representative Zamarripa and Alderman Donovan



State Representative Jocasta Zamarripa and Chairwoman Dimitrijevic



Chairwoman Dimitrijevic and Alderman Bob Donovan attended the ground blessing together. They are proud to represent the south side of Milwaukee together.

Recently in Milwaukee County

Reaching out to Small Businesses

Milwaukee County Board Chairwoman Marina Dimitrijevic attended the BizTimes.com BizExpo on May 17th in Milwaukee. The visit was a key step in the Chairwoman's efforts to unite communities, businesses and organizations in Milwaukee County.

"Small businesses are a key part of economic development in Milwaukee County, and I appreciate the opportunity to meet with the many business owners in attendance at the BizExpo," Chairwoman Dimitrijevic said. "We reach out to small businesses, particularly disadvantaged business enterprises, to help create job opportunities for people from all walks of life."

Chairwoman Dimitrijevic and Supervisor Russell W. Stamper II toured the BizExpo show floor with BizTimes Executive Editor Steve Jagler to connect businesses with the Chairwoman.







Recently in Milwaukee County

County Parks 105th Anniversary

Join the Milwaukee County Park System and The Park People of Milwaukee on Saturday, June 2 to celebrate the 105th Anniversary of the Milwaukee County Parks. A fun-packed day full of free special events and programs to get families fit, active and healthy is open to the public on Milwaukee's lakefront at McKinley Park (1750 N Lincoln Memorial Dr.) from 11:00AM to 4:00 PM.

The day-long event features live music and other performances, a history lesson about our Milwaukee County Parks by local historian John Gurda, youth activities hosted by the YMCA, Klement's Racing Sausages, Door County Sled Dogs, Bango the Buck, an improv comedy show, disc golf demonstrations, a bounce house and more! Milwaukee's own KT and the Universal Love Band will wrap up the day with a kid friendly concert. Food and beverages will able available onsite and the public is encouraged to pack a lunch and pianic in the park. Event sponsors include Wheel & Sprocket and MillerCoors. Visit http://parkpeoplemke.org/ for more details.

"Our Park system is such an asset to our community" stated Milwaukee County Chairwoman Marina Dimitrijevic. "This event is a great way for families and our community to have a fun day and enjoy our beautiful lakefront".

"Our parks system has not changed its purpose nor mission from when it originally started 105 years ago" commented Parks Director Sue Black, "bringing family and friends together in a leisurely setting and beautiful backdrop of Lake Michigan is what this celebrations is all about".

MILWAUKEE COUNTY PARKS



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Schedule of events

11:00 am	New Horizon's Band
11:30 am	McMenamin Irish Dancers
Noon	Chairwoman Marina Dimitrijevic County Executive Chris Abele Parks Director Sue Black
12:15 pm	History of the Parks with local historian John Gurda
12:45 pm	COA Youth Drum Band
1:15 pm	Seniorgee Dancers
1:30 pm	Improv Comedy with Pink Banana

Oak Leaf Discovery Tour

2:00pm

During the event, learn about all the family-friendly, free or low-cost activities throughout Milwaukee County Parks including the new Oak Leaf Discovery Tour. The passport tour is a great way for the community to explore the scenic beauty and history of our parks and trails. Participants can hike, bike, run/walk, and even golf their way through 15 attractions highlighted along the Oak Leaf Trail.

KT and the Universal Love Band

Participants collect special stamps when visiting a stop on the tour in a special 105th Anniversary passport program. Each location is profiled in the passport with a photo and historical information. Collect at least eight stamps between June 2 and September 15 to be eligible to win prizes including new bicycles, golf passes, private-behind the scenes park tours, restaurant gift certificates and more! Passports cost \$3 each or 5 for \$10, and proceeds support the Oak Leaf Trail.

The Park People of Milwaukee County, Inc., is an independent, 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization promoting citizen stewardship of Milwaukee County Parks and can be reached at info@parkpeoplemke.org or http://ParkPeopleMKE.org/.

Recently in Milwaukee County

Bike to Work with MCTS

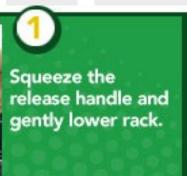
Milwaukee, WI – With over 95,000 bikes on board Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS) buses in 2011, it is clear passengers know the advantage of using bike racks on buses. And, as of April 30, 2012, at over 18,000 recorded bikes on board, MCTS has transported more than DOUBLE the number of passengers with bikes as the same time last year. All MCTS buses have can hold up to two bikes, and use is free with a paid bus fare.

A "how-to" guide, Bikes on Buses, can be found in local MCTS route information racks, or visit **RideMCTS.com/ How-to-ride/Bikes-on-Buses** to view online video and easy instructions. Riders should remember to always tell the operator when they are loading and unloading their bikes.

Bus transportation and biking are commuting options that are fun, healthy and good for the environment. Riding the bus part of the way can shorten a bike commute, making it even easier to leave your car at home. The bus also provides bikers with sheltered transportation in case of inclement weather.

The Milwaukee County Transit System is a vital service to the community, connecting 45 million riders each year with jobs, schools, shopping, healthcare and recreation in Milwaukee County.















To unload bike, lower handle using lever, remove bike and raise rack if there are no other bikes currently using it.

District 4

Southgate Neighborhood Association

The Concerned Citizens for Better Living Neighborhood Association has re-organized as the Southgate Neighborhood Association, and it serves the area near Pulaski High School.

All meetings are help at Pulaski High School, and begin at 6:30pm. 30 minutes before each meeting is a "meet and greet" session (it starts at 6pm).

Planned meeting dates are:

June 12th 6:30-8pm Topic: Rummage sale

July 10th 6:30-8pm Topic: To be determined

August 14th 6:30-8pm Topic: To be determined

Southgate Neighborhood Association has several plans:

Guest speakers will be invited to at every meeting

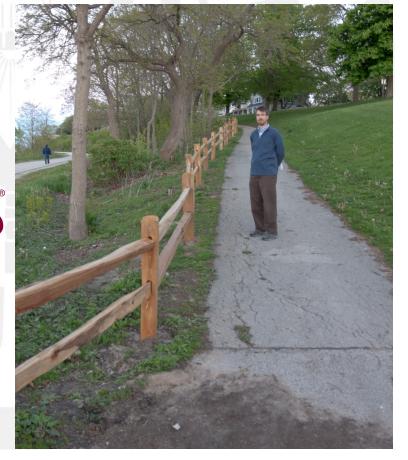
Alderman Witkowski, and at least one member of MPD have agreed to be present at ever meeting

A neighborhood picnic is planned for late summer. Look for details on this soon

Split-Rail Fence at South Shore Park Repaired by Kohl's

Kohl's Department Stores, working with their business alliance, Mortenson Construction and The Park People, a parks advocacy group, have teamed up to do major repairs and in some cases complete rebuilds of parts of our Parks system. The split rail fence installed at South Shore Park was part of Kohl's Department Stores National Go Green Event (GGE).

expect great things



District 4

16th Annual Earth Day at South Shore Park

More than 400 5th, 6th and 7th-graders from seven area schools celebrated Earth Day at South Shore Park Pavilion on Thursday, April 26.

Each child could choose two of 10 environmental activities presented by organizations such as the Great Lakes WATER Institute, the Milwaukee Humane Society, Havenwoods Environmental Center and Milwaukee County Zoo.

During the event, which was the 16th annual celebration of Earth Day sponsored by the South Shore Park Watch, students took part in the planting of seven new trees in South Shore Park.











June 2012

South Shore Park Watch Events

Join the South Shore Park Watch for some upcoming events in South Shore Park!

June 9 - Spring Planting Day, 9am - Noon. Meet at the trailhead near the playground. Help us plant native wildflowers and grasses in the bluff restoration area. No tools or experience necessary.

June 14 —Monthly Meeting, South Shore Pavilion. 7:00 pm Thurs.

June 16 - Farmer's Market Opens!

8th Annual Bay View Plant Sale

June 2, 8am-1pm

South Shore Park Pavillion.

LBWN Events

June 9, 10:30am-1pm

Layton Boulevard West Neighbors Tour of Homes

How would you like to buy a beautiful, affordable home in a great neighborhood that is minutes to Downtown, connected to the Hank Aaron State Trail, home to the future Menomonee Valley Branch of the Urban Ecology Center, and features a variety of award-winning international restaurants and markets?

Please join us for this FREE, guided bus tour of homes for sale in the Layton Boulevard West neighborhoods of Silver City, Burnham Park and Layton Park. Not only will you tour great homes in a great neighborhood, but you will also learn about grants of up to \$30,000 to help purchase and renovate a foreclosed home.

For more information, and to register, please click here.

June 20, 6:30-8:30pm

Sounds of Summer Concert—Arlington Heights Park

This FREE concert series in Silver City takes place the third Wednesday of the month between May and August. Join us for an evening of great music in a beautiful setting overlooking the Menomonee Valley.

BVNA Events

June 2, 12-3pm

Take advantage of our neighborhood specials on annuals and perennials and come to our plant sale! The inexpensive plant sale will take place on Saturday, June 2nd at the Humboldt Park Pavilion from 12pm - 3pm.

Special thanks goes out to Lowe's for delivering the beautiful plants for free. And also to the Neighborhood Improvement Development Corporation. We wouldn't be able to do this

without you. We're so happy we can host an event like this. Enjoy!

Neighborhood

Association

June 5, 6:30-8:30pm

BVNA is happy to announce that <u>Chill on the Hill 2012</u> will be starting soon! Chill on the Hill is an outdoor, summer local music concert series on Tuesday nights at Humboldt Park. This year's dates are June 5th through August 28th. <u>Click here for the lineup</u>.



June 6, 6:00-7:00pm, Outpost Foods, Bay View

Welcome to the Milwaukee Power Pack, the new, innovative group purchasing program designed to offer low cost solar energy equipment to home owners of Southeast Wisconsin.

This free seminar will educate you on how to utilize solar energy in the most cost-effective way possible. Event organizers, along with local solar panel manufacturers, have worked out a 'group purchase' program where residents can get low cost deals on the purchase and installation of solar panels for their homes. This is the easiest and most inexpensive route to utilizing solar energy in our neighborhoods.

Attend a free seminar at Outpost Foods-Bay View, 2826 S. Kinnickinnic Avenue, to learn more. Also check out: http://city.milwaukee.gov/milwaukeeshines or call Nick Korth at the Milwaukee Renewable Energy Association Office at (414) 431-0758 to learn more.



8th Annual Bay View Plant Sale

The Bay View Garden and Yard Society, in collaboration with the South Shore Park Watch and Milwaukee County Parks, is excited to begin the 2012 growing season with its annual Bay View Plant Sale at South Shore Park, 2900 South Shore Drive, on Saturday, June 2 from 8:00 am until 1:00pm

Blooming in color with Milwaukee's beautiful lakefront as a backdrop, the Bay View Plant Sale hosts a variety of local, commercial plant vendors with hundreds of beautiful, quality plants; including annuals and perennials, hanging baskets, ornamental trees and shrubs, vegetables and herbs, some of the best exotic heirloom favorites, and tropical plants. Delicious bakery, food items, and coffee will also be available for sale. The Society members will be on hand to answer any questions you may have about gardening.

Formed in 1995, the Bay View Garden and Yard Society has been committed to beautifying yards and public gardens in the Bay View community, including the development and maintenance of the Village Roots Community Garden, the WWII Memorial Garden on Kinnickinnic, the Pryor Avenue Well and the Fire Department Engine House on KK.



Passport Fair & Citizenship Workshop

June 2nd, 9am-1pm

Ascension Lutheran Church

1236 S. Layton Blvd., Milwaukee, WI 53215

Congresswoman Gwen Moore, The US Department of State, passport services & the US Citizen and Immigration services are putting on a passport fair & citizenship workshop.

Current total fees:

- \$135 for age 16 and over
- \$105 for age 15 and under (child passport book)

Please bring check/money order: \$110 application fee + \$25 execution fee—checks must have name and address printed on them—no starter checks!

The event will feature a panel discussion:

- Why become a citizen? What is the benefit?
- Filling out the application forms for citizenship and/or passport. Why and when you may need an attorney for the citizenship process.
- Do's and Don'ts of the application process
- How to register to vote, and why voting is important

Other Features:

- One-on-one consultations with immigration attorneys
- Resource fair with booths from various agencies

Presented in cooperation with American Immigration Lawyer's Assoc. (AILA), the Council for the Spanish Speaking, Voces de la Frontera, and the Soutside Organizing Committee



Applicants will need to bring:

- Completed form DS-11 or DS-82
 (available onsite or may be downloaded at travel.state.gov)
- 2. Proof of US Citizenship

(certificate of citizenship or original birth certificate from town of birth or ordered online at vitalcheck.com) - this includes a certified birth certificate, a previous US passport, certificate of citizenship, or a naturalization certificate.

- You must also bring proof of identity. Original and photocopy of ID front and back (valid driver's license, current military/government ID, previous US passport, certificate of citizenship, or a naturalization certificate.
- Passport for minors 15 years and younger require that both parents be present or a notarized consent and photocopy of ID from non-applying parent to be provided
- 5. You will also need **2 passport photos**. If you do not have a recent 2x2-inch photo, please visit the County Clerk's office or any photo development center.

YMCA Play in the Park

Parents, bring your children and join us at a park near you for some free, healthy fun for the whole family. Play in the Parks...be prepared to have fun this summer!

This FREE program is offered at convenient park locations within the Milwaukee area and gives families the chance to get out and play this summer!

The YMCA of Greater Milwaukee, in cooperation with the Milwaukee County Parks Department, is putting on a summer Play in the Park program. This program is geared toward getting families active and involved at the parks department and promotes a healthy lifestyle.

For more information, contact:

Erin Cross | (414) 766-5501

ecross@ymcamke.org

Session 1 June 11-July 19

Mondays, 6-7:30pm

Hoyt Park | 1800 Swan Blvd, Wauwatosa

June 11, 18, 25, and July 9, 16

Tuesdays, 6-7:30pm

Jackson Park | 3500 W Forest Home Ave, Milwaukee

June 12, 19, 26, and July 10, 17

Wednesdays, 6-7:30pm

Lincoln Park | 1301W Hampton Ave, Milwaukee

June 13, 00, 27, and July 11, 18

Thursdays, 6-7:30pm

Humboldt Park | 3000 S Howell Ave, Milwaukee

June 14, 21, 28, and July 12, 19



Session 2 July 23-August 20

Mondays, 6-7:30pm

Hoyt Park | 1800 Swan Blvd, Wauwatosa

July 23, 30, and August 6, 13, 20

Tuesdays, 6-7:30pm

Sheridan Park | 4800 S Lake Dr, Cudahy

July 24, 31, and August 7, 14

Wednesdays, 6-7:30pm

McGovern Park | 5400 N 51st Blvd, Milwaukee

July 25, and August 1, 8, 15

Thursdays, 6-7:30pm

Humboldt Park | 3000 S Howell Ave, Milwaukee

July 26, and August 2, 9, 16